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## DENMARK.

# Quarantine against Glasgow raised.

COPENHAGEN, November 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that the quarantine declared by the Danish Government against the city of Glasgow on September 1 last, as reported in my dispatch of September 6, 1900, was raised on the 20th instant.

Respectfully,

LAURITS S. SWENSON.

Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

#### FRANCE.

Report from Paris—Gastric fever, smallpox, and dysentery.

Paris, France, December 3, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the following information has been received here regarding the sanitary conditions outside of France:

The epidemic reported at King Williams Town, South Africa, is now admitted to be plague, and the origin is supposed to be the Hindoos attached to the army as servants. The last information gives 8 cases and 3 deaths, all, however, among the natives. At Lorenco Marques this disease is increasing among the Boer fugitives. The former residence of the consul of the Transvaal has been converted into a Red Cross hospital. Two new cases have been reported from Alexandria, the last one appearing on November 11. An official report from Mauritius for the week ended November 8 gives the number of new cases of plague on the island as 50, of which 34 died. The entire number of deaths from plague for the same week was 36.

A newspaper correspondent lately arrived from Madagascar announces that the general commanding the island has put in force rigid measures to prevent plague from spreading from Tamatave to other parts of the island. Since the reappearance of the disease in that city on September 27. 8 cases have been reported.

In France, the typhoid fever and smallpox of Paris and the dysentery of Brittany are of interest. For the week ended November 3 there were 83 cases with 12 deaths from typhoid fever and 90 cases with 14 deaths from smallpox; for the week ended November 10 there were 67 cases of the former disease with 7 deaths, and 75 cases with 11 deaths from the latter. For the week ended November 17, 75 cases and 16 deaths from typhoid fever; 68 cases and 15 deaths from smallpox. For the week ended November 24, 60 cases of typhoid fever with 12 deaths, and 74 cases with 8 deaths from smallpox.

As to the dysentery that has been present in the northwestern peninsula of France (Brittany) for some time, the articles in the daily and medical journals, which for some time have been numerous, report rather a bad state of affairs. The epidemic seems to be very severe and giving a considerable mortality. Physicians, nurses, and supplies are lacking. In the town of Spezet, of 3,000 inhabitants, there have been 230 cases, with 60 deaths. The navy officers and nurses are assisting at many of the towns on and near the coast, and Dr. Salanone Ipin, doctor of the first class in the navy, has just finished making a visit to all the contaminated towns, where he analyzed the water of the streams

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and many wells. No technical report on the exact nature or cause of this epidemic has appeared.

Respectfully.

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

## GERMANY.

Report from Berlin-Plague and cholera in various countries.

BERLIN, GERMANY, December 1, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report from information obtained from the imperial health office:

The harbor of Glasgow has, in accordance with Chapter II, section 2 of the Venice Agreement, been officially declared to be free from plague since November 14.

EGYPT.—Of the 2 new plague cases reported on November 11, 1 resulted fatally on November 13. Up to November 17 no further cases of plague had occurred.

BRITISH EAST INDIA.—During the week ended October 26, there were in the Presidency of Bombay 1,417 cases of plague and 1,132 deaths from the same—that is to say, 434 (226) less than in the previous week. The decrease is especially notable in the larger towns.

In the city of Bombay there were reported during the week ended October 27, 113 new cases and 80 deaths from plague. The total number of deaths from all causes during the same period in the said city amounted to 835—that is to say, 50 less than in the previous week, and besides the 80 deaths from plague, 214 deaths occurred suspected to be due to plague.

Hongkong.—In the period from September 16 to October 13, there occurred, according to official publications, 13 cases and the same number of deaths from plague. Of this number 11 cases occurred in the city of Victoria (Hongkong).

TAMATAVE (MADAGASCAR).—According to an official communication no case of plague has occurred in Tamatave since October 23.

QUEENSLAND.—According to the weekly report of the central sanitary authorities at Brisbane, no deaths or new cases of plague occurred during the week ended October 6 in the colony. On the other hand, another communication states that 3 new cases and 2 deaths occurred in Brisbane during the following week ended October 13.

BRITISH EAST INDIA—Cholera.—In Calcutta 17 persons died from cholera during the period from October 14 to October 20.

Respectfully, Joseph B. Greene,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The Surgeon-General, U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

## ITALY.

## Report from Naples.

Naples, Italy, November 28, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended November 28, 1900, the following ships were inspected: November 23, the steamship *Columbia*, of the Hamburg-American Line, bound with passengers